# DRAFT Analysis

Brookline Strategic Asset Plan & Major Parcel Study

July 24, 2017



# Agenda

- 1. Project Schedule
- 2. Strategic Asset Plan Methodology
- 3. Initial Findings and Takeaways
  - Asset Inventory and Gap Analysis
- 4. Synthesis and Preliminary Priorities
- 5. Discussion and Direction for Next Steps

# Proposed Project Calendar Strategic Asset Plan & Major Parcel Study

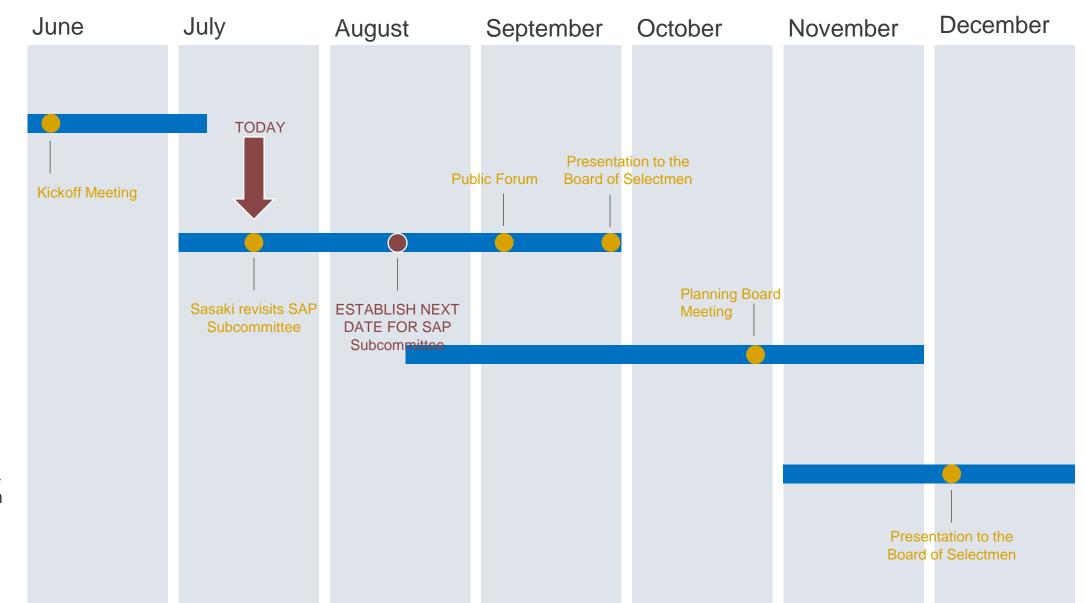
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TASK 1: Project Kickoff & Planning Context **Analysis** 

TASK 2: Strategic Asset Plan

TASK 3: Major Parcel Study

TASK 4: Final Draft Review & Final Documentation



# Strategic Asset Plan Methodology

## **Strategic Asset Plan Methodology**

#### Needs

& Inventory of Existing
Spaces

Confirm & Update Needs (Additional data and interviews)

Categorize Needs by
Type (Operational:
personnel, operational;
Spatial: work space,
program space,
document storage,
equipment, parking)

### **Gap Analysis**

Integrate Capital
Improvement Plan, Town
budget & other studies
to identify planned
resolution of needs by
department.

Identify/quantify gaps between needs and planned resolution.

#### **Synthesize Spatial Needs**

Identify priorities and synthesize gaps across departments to identify recommended changes in space to meet needs.

Align today's needs with future trends in municipal space management /operations/

Recommend strategies for addressing needs in next 5-10 years.

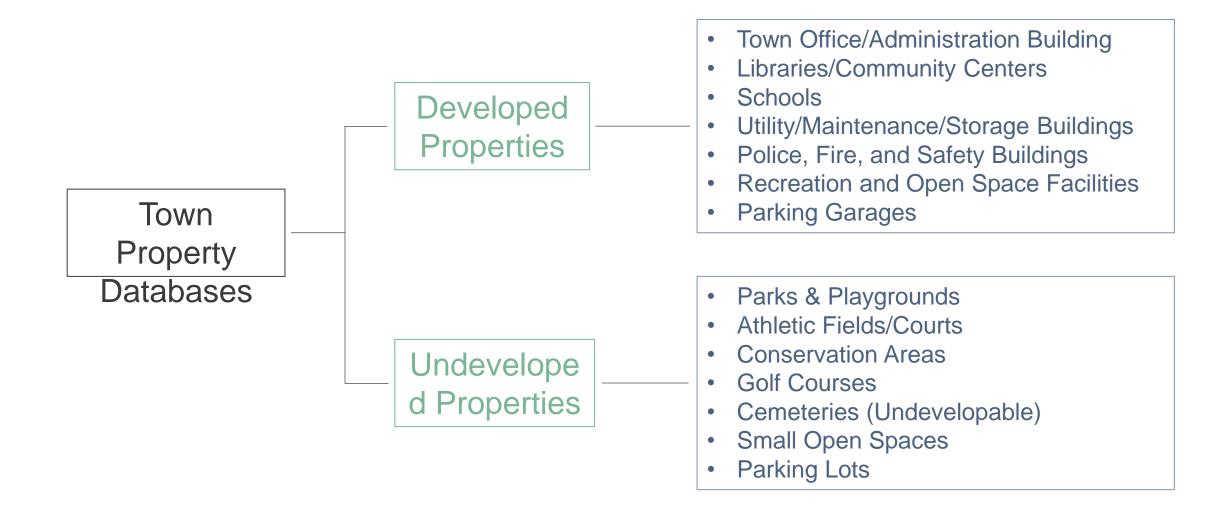
Describe general

## **Interviews**

Department Interview List							
Department	COMPLETED	STATUS					
Council on Aging	YES						
Finance	YES						
Legal	YES						
Police	YES						
Recreation Dept	YES						
Schools	YES						
Selectmen	YES						
Veterans	YES						
Building	Scheduled	Scheduled for 7/25/2017					
IT	Scheduled	Scheduled for 7/25/2017					
Library	Scheduled	Scheduled for 7/27/2017					
Public Works	Scheduled	Scheduled for 7/25/17					
Clerk	In progress	TBD					
Diversity	NO	TBD					
Fire	NO	TBD					
Health/Human Services	NO	TBD					
Human Resources	NO	TBD					
Parks & Open Space	NO	TBD					
Planning & Comm Dev	NO	TBD					

# Asset Inventory and Gap Analysis

## **Municipal Property Inventory Categorization**



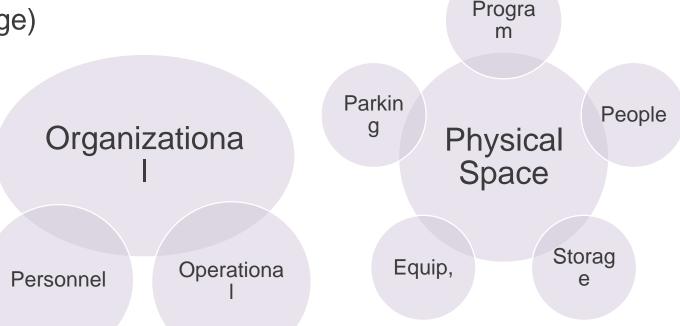
## **Identified Gaps Matrix**

## Examples from Gap Analysis

- Need not addressed (Red)
  - Town office/administration document storage needs
  - Town office/administration personnel and conference space

		REMAIN	IING GAPS BETWEE	N NEEDS ASSES	SMENT AND CIP			
		Organizational		Physical Space				
Presentation Categories	Departments	Personnel/Operational	People	Storage	Equipment	Programmatic	Parking	
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Assessor		All Needs Currently being Met					
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Brookline Commission For The Arts Administrator			100 0000				
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Building Department							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Comptroller							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Department Of Public Works							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Diversity, Inclusion And Community Relations Office							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Finance Department		1		-			
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Health Department							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Human Resources Department							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Information Technology				/			
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Legal Services		i i					
Fown Office/Administration Buildings	Preservation Division							
own Office/Administration Buildings	Purchasing Division							
own Office/Administration Buildings	Recreation Department							
own Office/Administration Buildings	Selectmen							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Town Clerks' Office							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Town Counsel's Office							
Town Office/Administration Buildings	Treasurer/Collector							
Fown Office/Administration Buildings	Veterans Services							
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.ibraries/Community Centers	Library Department							
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Schools	Public Schools Of Brookline							

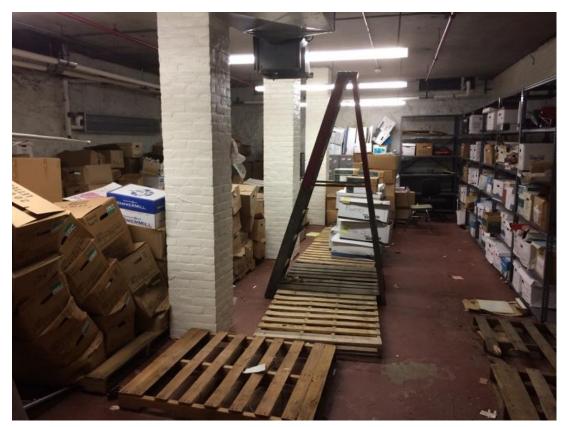
- Need partially addressed by CIP (Beige)
  - Recreation Department
  - Fire Department
  - Parks and Open Space
- Need Addressed (Green)
  - Schools Department
- Not Identified as a Need in Assessment but Listed in CIP (Blue)
  - Library Department



# Synthesis and Preliminary Findings Case Studies

# Case Study: Physical Space Town Hall Document Storage

- Storage of physical documents takes up usable office space
- Each department has different record retention rules
- Paper documents currently stored in:
  - File cabinets
  - Shelving
  - Banker boxes
- Archived documents lack assigned space and retrieval mechanisms



Source: RKG Associates, Inc.

## Case Study: Physical Space Town Hall Document Storage

#### **Potential Solutions**

- Seek outside legal counsel to clarify retention rules by department and document type
- Purchase more cabinets and shelving to utilize existing space more effectively
- Contract with an archiving consultant to design an electronic document storage and retrieval system
- Hire full-time employee to oversee/manage document and storage needs
- Centralize document storage within one building
- Offsite storage for archived materials



Source: Montel.com

# Case Study: Personnel Space Council on Aging and Recreation Dept.

#### Council on Aging

- Lacks physical space for additional employees
- Unable to expand services due to lack of employee space

#### Recreation Department

- Increase in recreation programs requires greater number of employees
  - Expected personnel growth in after-school program
  - Currently 400 part-time employees



Source: Brookline Senior Center Website

# Case Study: Personnel Space Council on Aging and Recreation Dept.

#### **Potential Solutions:**

- Council on Aging
  - Removing file cabinets from offices to free up space for more employees
  - Placing some employees within Town Hall building or other underutilized spaces
- Recreation Department
  - Expansion of Eliot Recreation Center
    - Add about 1,500 square feet to the upper level and provide an extra bathroom, conference space, and 4 additional offices.
  - If high school is renovated Tappen Street Gym could be new location for recreation administrative staff

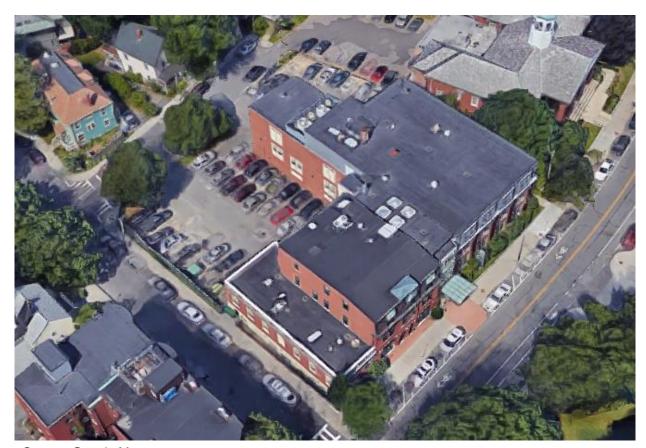
## Case Study: Equipment Space Police Department

#### Equipment currently stored in:

- Rooms
- Lockers
- Shelving
- Offsite in other departmental facilities

#### Space constraints:

- Linear growth of police equipment, year over year
- Surface parking lot insufficient for both Police and staff vehicles
- Town Hall parking lot functions as police lot during snow emergencies
- Insufficient locker room space for female officers



Source: Google Maps

# Case Study: Equipment Space Police Department

#### **Potential Solutions**

- Invest in efficient equipment storage systems
- Build a dedicated storage facility to centralize police equipment
- Coordinate with other town departments to use existing underutilized space for equipment storage
- Decked parking for police vehicles
- Increase space by relocating Fire Department offices

# Discussion

### **Discussion Questions**

- Any questions or concerns with the methodology and approach? Any surprises or questions about the initial findings?
- How do you advise that we begin to prioritize needs among departments and categories? What values and goals should we bring to that analysis?
- Among the overall universe of needs, which are the most urgent and pressing to you?